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Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

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At ten o'clock this morning the engines, rolls, squeezers and all the the machinery of that portion of the Cambria Iron Works, known as the old puddling mill, also the three puddling furnaces and three heating furnaces, were started and are now running their full capacity. The new rail mill it is expected will start next Monday morning, under temporary sheds, and there is no doubt but the entire works will be running by the first of November.

EUROPE.

BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

The Insurrection at Moville, Spain.

MADRID, October 16.—A dispatch from Ferrol yesterday says the frigate Victoria was hourly expected in the harbor, and that preparations were being made for an attack upon the Insurrectionists. Hostilities were to commence at four o'clock yesterday afternoon if the rebels had not surrendered.

LATER.—The municipal authorities of Ferrol yesterday requested the government forces to suspend the attack on the insurrectionists, as negotiations were pending for their surrender. The commander consented, and will wait until this afternoon.

All Questions Connected with the Alabama Claims Settled.

LONDON, October 16.—The suit against United States Consul Dudley, at Liverpool, by a man named Alcott, who assisted as a seaman on the privateer Alabama, for compensation for his detention at Liverpool as a witness, by order of Dudley, at the time the Alabama sailed, has resulted adversely to the plaintiff. The court decided that the Geneva Tribunal had settled all questions connected with the Alabama case.

Miscellaneous Dispatches.

CONSTANTINOPLE, October 16.—Prince Nicholas, of Montenegro, has sent a dispatch to the Sultan pronouncing to punish those of his subjects who recently had an encounter with a party of Turks at Leposa.

LISBON, October 16.—The American squadron has arrived at Sagres, a small seaport town in the province of Algarves.

LONDON, October 16.—A dispatch from the east announces that the railway between Yokohama and Yeddo, Japan, has been formally opened by the Mikado.

MADRID, October 16.—The Cortes, by a vote of 208 against 68, has voted a reply to the address from the throne. Those who voted in the negative were Republicans and Alphonsists. There were 100 vacancies in the Cortes, and elections for members to fill them have been ordered for the 3d of November.

Marine News.

MOVILLE, October 16.—The steamship Australia has arrived.

The steamships Peruvian and St. Andrew have arrived at Moville.

LIVERPOOL, October 16.—Five thousand laborers on the steamship docks of the city are on a strike.

The Markets.

LONDON, 5 P. M., October 16.—Consols for money 92⅝@92⅞; for account 92⅝. Illinois Central shares 90@90⅜; 6 per cents, 93⅛. Coupons 5-20s of '67, 92⅜; 10-40s, 92⅛; new 5s, 88⅜, ex-coupons; Erie 42. Sugar, afloat, 36s.

PARIS, October 16.—Rentes 82 francs 15 centimes.

LIVERPOOL, October 16.—Cotton firm; middling uplands 9¾d; Orleans 10½d; sales 8,000 bales, including for speculation and export 4,000 bales; futures, December, 9 7-32d; January, December, 1860. Breadstuffs quiet and steady. Red winter wheat, 7s 7d. Flour 25s. Corn 29s 3d. Cheese 55s. Cumberland middles 34s 6d; short rib middles 36s. Tallow 44s 3d.

ANTWERP, October 16.—Petroleum—refined 53½ francs.

POLITICAL.

Republican Jollification at Granville, Ohio.

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GRANVILLE, OHIO, October 16, 1872.

The Republicans of Granville, nothing daunted by the Liberal defection, to-night inaugurated the Presidential campaign by celebrating the victory of last week by a torchlight parade, fireworks and cannon firing. The crowd was immense. Not one-third could obtain entrance to the hall, and Messrs. Clark, Kibler and Griffin were compelled to speak from the platform in front. The boys from Denison University paraded, and the Glee Club gave the music. The meeting was a success beyond the most sanguine hopes of the projectors.

Connecticut Congressional Nomination.

HARTFORD, CONN., October 16.—The Democratic and Liberal Committee of this city to-day nominated J. W. Eaton for Congress, to fill the unexpired term of J. L. Strong, deceased. The Republican convention will meet to-morrow, and General J. H. Hawley will probably be nominated.

Gen. Butler Renominated for Congress—Advice to Labor Reformers.

BOSTON, October 16.—Gen. Butler was renominated for Congress by the Republicans of the Sixth Massachusetts district to-day. The Democrats and Liberals in the same district have nominated Charles Thompson for Congress.

The State Central Committee of the Labor Reform party of Massachusetts have urgently requested all the labor men ignore all parties in the coming presidential election, as their cause has been ignored, and vote for neither candidate.

The Will of Hon. W. H. Seward.

AUBURN, N. Y., October 16.—The will of the late William H. Seward was opened by his family to-day. It is a clear, succinct document, singularly free from legal technicalities, and written entirely in his own hand. He bequeaths his late home at Auburn, with its contents and surroundings, to his three sons, one of whom it will doubtless be occupied and preserved intact as far as possible in its present condition. His other property, consisting in part of securities, but mainly of real estate in Auburn, in this locality, he divides into four equal parts, one-fourth to his son Frederick and William, and his adopted daughter, Olive Risley Seward, the two last named being deputed to execute this provision of the instrument. No particulars or bequests are made. The property has been variously appraised, and it is impossible to say precisely what it amounts to, but it will probably be not far from two hundred thousand dollars.

The Vulcan Rolling Mill, at Cincinnati, Burned—Loss $75,000.

CINCINNATI, October 16.—The Vulcan rolling mills, situated in the Twenty-first ward, opposite Fifth street and west of Mill creek, were nearly destroyed by fire about one o'clock this morning. The fire was first seen issuing from a one-story frame building, occupied as a grocery store by a man named Wert, and contiguous to the mill. The fire spread with marvelous rapidity, and before an engine could be secured the flames had enveloped the grocery store, mill, and the saloons of George Hibbert and John Mason, together with the dairy of John Davidson. The saloons and dairy were the only wooden buildings of about two stories in height, standing on Grand street. The mill was owned by I. B. Evans, Thomas Clefton and Thomas Evans. The loss on the mill is estimated at seventy-thousand dollars, on which there was but one-third of insurance. The loss on the other buildings will be about two hundred dollars.

Young Employees on Monday Instead of Saturday.

CHESTER, N. Y., October 16.—At the State Congressional Convention to-day the following was read for consideration: Whereas, the experience of manufacturers and other employers, both in Europe and America, proves that the payment of employees on Monday instead of Saturday results in better observance of the Sabbath, less intemperance, and marked moral, physical and financial improvement, both of establishments and localities where it is practised,

Resolved, that the subject is worthy of the careful consideration of patriots and Christian people.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Meeting.

ST. LOUIS, October 16.—The ninth annual convention of the Grand International Division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers met at Polyanthus Hall to-day. Charles Wilson, Grand Chief Engineer, delivered the annual address, setting forth the condition of the Brotherhood and recommending various subjects for discussion and measures for adoption. There are a hundred and fifty-six divisions of the Brotherhood, with over three thousand members. The widow and orphans' fund amounts to $12,888; total receipts for the year, $8,482; expenses, $1,612; cash in treasury, $11,449.

NATIONAL BOARD OF TRADE.

The Session at New York.

NEW YORK, October 16.—The National Board of Trade of the United States, together with a delegation from Canada, assembled this morning in City Hall. The delegates were informed that their latest night accompany them on a trip down the bay, tendered by the Chamber of Commerce. Memorials on the return to specie payment, uniform international rates of postage, transportation of products of the Atlantic States to sea board, were referred to committees. Also a resolution by Mr. Fisk, of St. Louis, advocating the opening up and utilizing for agriculture and commerce the territory now occupied by the Indians, and paper reciprocal reduction of import and export duties by the United States and other countries.

A resolution was passed condemning the practice of the issue of scrip dividends, the watering of stock, and the issue of stock without full money equivalent by incorporated companies. Mr. Rowland, of Cincinnati, submitted a resolution, that the Executive Committee memorialize the different States for the passing of laws punishing the issue of spurious warehouse receipts, and to make such receipts negotiable.

After some little discussion and reading of the paper on warehouse receipts and protection of merchants' property in the grain elevators along the railway routes, by Mr. Holton, of Milwaukee, the resolution of Mr. Rowland was agreed to. The subject of reducing the present duty on Canadian lumber was referred to a committee appointed to confer with the Canadian delegates. M. C. Leave, referring to a resolution of the Newark Board of Trade condemning the twenty per cent. duty on lumber, said that at the rate of cutting of 1870, in Michigan, in less than seventeen years the State would be denuded.

Resolutions of the Buffalo Board of Trade, chiefly bearing on the improvement of the Erie Canal, having been read, Mr. Bunsy, of Philadelphia, said they were asked to suggest improvements for parts of the country of which they knew nothing. The time was coming for the Board to say such subjects were beyond their jurisdiction. Mr. Isaacs, of Richmond, asked to have the subject postponed to the next annual session, as the Richmond Chamber had not received the programme in time, and were unprepared. After discussion the subject was postponed until to-morrow.

The proposition of the Cincinnati Board of Trade, that general freight agents of all railroads in the United States be exhorted to form a general and national classification of freight, and that Congress be requested to pass laws to prevent injurious discrimination in rates of freight or excessive charges for its transfer, and give the weakest individual redress against companies, was next discussed.

Mr. Busby, of Pennsylvania, moved an additional clause, that Congress be asked to pass a law requiring the placing of rolling stock by individuals and companies on railways for the transportation of merchandise, so that competition may lead to a reduction of rates.

Mr. Branch then, in that giving a centralized government at Washington power over railways was extravagant and dangerous. Railway and express companies are a danger to the country, but not as dangerous as the federal Congress controlling the railways.

Mr. Rowland, of Cincinnati, said he was in favor of going to the States through which freights pass for redress of evils, not to Washington. He thought the federal government had too much power already. [Applause.] Unless we can limit our government, our whole system of government must be revolutionized, and our doom is sealed. [Applause.]

Mr. Sergeant, of New Haven, moved that the Legislatures of the various States be inserted, instead of Congress. The whole matter was referred to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Lobdell, of Boston, called up the proposition of the Boston Commercial Exchange, recommending measures whereby the weights of corn sent over railways in bags should be given to the merchant who received it, so that railways shall be responsible to the merchants.

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Remarkable Feat by a Lunatic.

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Gustavus Nothnagle, foreman of the Columbus *Statesman*, who became deranged a few days ago, was sent to the Water Cure, returned, as it was supposed, sound in mind, and after working a few days he became as bad as before, and was returned to the Asylum. To-day, just after receiving his dinner, he went out upon the rear platform while the train was in rapid motion, and jumped upon the pilot of a locomotive going in an opposite direction. The train ran back, and every one was not a little surprised to find the young man made a change from one train to another without injury to himself, and on arriving at Wooster proceeded quietly up the street. His attendant succeeded in inducing him to return, and he was soon in the care of a physician.

Mysterious Suicide.

DAYTON, O., October 16.—A man, supposed to be Jno. E. Raspe, of Vernon, Illinois, was found in a dying condition on the platform of the Short Line train on the arrival here from Cincinnati at midnight on Tuesday night. On examination it was discovered that he had been shot through the head. He was taken to the depot, where he died at six o'clock this morning. An investigation by the coroner revealed the fact that he was a man committed suicide by shooting himself just after the train entered the city, his pistol being found on the track, and cartridges were found in his possession corresponding with it. He had on his person $234 in money. Letters found in his possession led to his identification. The body will be held by the coroner until claimed by friends.

A Wholesale Poisoner Discovered.

NEW YORK, October 16.—The London *Telegraph* says: Lately a case of wholesale poisoning has been the subject of magisterial inquiry at West Auckland, a woman named Mary Ann Cotton having been accused of causing the death of her husband, three children and a lodger within a comparatively limited time. It is said that suspicions have arisen that the accused has been a systematic poisoner, and that in the course of her career no less than fourteen persons have been disposed of—namely, fifteen children, three husbands and one lodger.

Colored Odd Fellows' Celebration.

WASHINGTON, October 16.—The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, composed of colored men of the District of Columbia, celebrated to-day the twenty-sixth anniversary of the introduction of the Order into Washington. Each Lodge carried a banner and symbols of the craft. All the members were dressed in full uniform and wore regalia. The charter was originally obtained from Leeds, England. It was stated in one of the addresses that there are now in this country one hundred and fifty lodges, that the membership in the District of Columbia numbers nine hundred.

First Ku Klux Case in Georgia.

SAVANNAH, GA., October 16.—The first case under the Ku-Klux law ever tried in this city took place to-day before Commissioner Stone. Joseph B. Carroll, of Boston, Ga., is charged with going in disguise, in company with ten or twelve others unknown, to the house of Joseph Hill, colored, of Boston, on the night of the 9d inst., and taking by force therefrom J. Cæsar Frew, colored, and unmercifully beating him. Carroll was committed to jail in default of bail in $5,000. Kitchen Massie, charged with a similar offense, was discharged for want of evidence.

Irish Catholic Benevolent Union

PHILADELPHIA, October 16.—The fourth annual convention of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union of the United States met at the Assembly building to-day, having previously attended a mass at St. Joseph's church and visited Independence Hall, where they were officially welcomed by President Littleton, of the Select Council. Two hundred delegates were present. The convention was presided over by President Dempsey, of Dayton, Ohio, who delivered an appropriate address.

Daring Robbery of a Clerk.

BOSTON, October 16.—This afternoon as James W. Woods, a clerk in the Old Colony Railroad office, was passing from the Paymaster's office to the Treasurer's office, on the same floor, and but a few yards distant, he was knocked down and robbed of $4,000. The robber escaped.

Condemned to be Hung.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., October 16.—The jury, in the case of Wm. Chuck, on trial in this city for the murder of his wife, returned a verdict to-day of guilty of murder in the first degree, and he was sentenced to be hung.

POLITICAL NOTES.

We are just as sure to-day of electing Horace Greeley in November next as we were a month ago.—*Huntingdon Globe.* Just about how sure were you a month ago?

A good many people have lately been puzzling their brains with the conundrum, "What became of the 20,000 known Republicans who declared they would vote against Hartranft?" One of the sore-head journals, the Beaver *Argus*, to which Gen. W. W. Irwin is a weekly and weakly contributor, thus answers the riddle: "In view of the conduct of quite a number of men in this county during the campaign which has just closed, and whose names it is hardly worth while now to mention, we will take it as a favor if they never talk to us about 'political reform,' 'official corruption,' or the impropriety of electing dishonest men to office. In the reform camps, and before the battle began, they could talk about reform with the eloquence of a Cicero, and make one believe they were as fierce as Numidian lions; but when the long roll sounded, and the lines for the onset were forming, some of them hurried directly to the enemy's ranks, while others of them skulked to the rear and have neither been seen or heard of since."

The New York *Evening Post* draws several "morals" from the recent elections. This is one: But for the men who, despite their earnest convictions, permitted themselves to be drawn into partnership with so transparent a piece of political trickery, we have this much comfort—namely, that we hope this dispensation for their backsliding may be blessed to their spiritual and everlasting good. If not to them, then surely it will be to the edification of all coming political tricksters, who may learn from their unhappy fate that the way of the transgressor is hard. They went out to shear and have come home shorn. They went in to scoff, and if they do not remain to pray, it is because they can find no foothold among the faithful. We cannot deny them some pity. Their estate reminds us of that once described in the editorial columns of the New York *Tribune* in its earlier and better days, when a distinguished politician and friend of Mr. Greeley had abandoned his own party and accepted the nomination, in some municipal struggle, of that opposed to it. His fate was the fate that is about to overtake Mr. Greeley in November. The editorial comment of the *Tribune* the morning after the election was this, and this only, in double-leaded brevier: "Poor Jack!"

The Boston *Evening Journal* has evidently been there before. It says: Now we will listen to wild and passionate outcries about Republican fraud and money, indicting wholesale wrong upon innocent Liberals and unsuspecting Democrats, and carrying the great States by majorities upward of twenty thousand. Next we will see the mathematical reserves of the coalition forces called to the front to batter down all these majorities, and will result in a decisive and to show that, at the best, they were only Democratic victories in disguise. Then will appear the more ingenious theorists, who will find out all sorts of reasons to prove that every advantage in the States that have voted thus far has been on the side of the Republicans, while everything, including the prestige of the same elections, of course), from now till November will be overwhelmingly in favor of the coalitionists. What else we shall see, got up to break the force of these mighty demonstrations of popular sentiment, we don't know; but we do know, and everybody knows, that the coalitionist cause has "come up." Mr. Greeley stands as good a chance of being struck by lightning, now that the season of thunder shower is over, as of his being elected President of the United States.

The "most conspicuous office beggar in the land" has been making another electioneering harangue, in which he declared that there are twenty thousand disfranchised citizens in Arkansas. When the vera-city of this statement was challenged, he sent a telegram down the number of disfranchised in Arkansas at two thousand. In the course of two weeks he increased the statement to five thousand. Now he has said the present charges for passenger and freights are extortionate, and warned the Boards of Trade against the iron rule that railway despotism is placing on the neck of the people.

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SCENE AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

"Medicine Bear" Wants to put His War Shirt on the "Great Father."

After our report of the interview of the Grand river Indian delegation with the President closed on Saturday last, the Teton-Sioux party were introduced by General Cowen, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and a council with the Great Father took place. Medicine Bear, chief of the Teton-Sioux, opened the "big talk" with a speech very similar to the one he recently delivered before the Secretary of the Interior; but before doing so, laid his high calumet on the mantelpiece, and after removing his feather head-dress and eagle-wing fan, deliberately proceeded to unshirt himself, to the no small astonishment of the pale face, present. After divesting himself of his nether garment, he advanced toward the President, and holding it aloft was about to put it over the great Father's head when General Cowen took hold of it, and placing it on a chair told Medicine Bear through the interpreter that the Great Father would not let just then, but would accept it as a proof of his (Medicine Bear's) good will. It seems that it was Medicine Bear's war shirt, adorned, in which he had lifted the hair of many a helpless enemy, and that he desired to present it to the Great Father in token of the estimation in which he held him as the big chief of the pale faces. Among the Teton-Sioux, and in fact among many other Indian tribes, similar garments are highly prized, fabulous values being set upon them by the wearers. General Cowen accompanied the delegation to the depot yesterday morning, and shaking each man by the hand bid him good bye. They invited the general to come up the Missouri next fall and see them, and said they would treat him well. In his speech at the White House, Medicine Bear told the President that Gen. Cowen belonged to him (meaning that he held him in great esteem), and that the promises to the red men had been fulfilled.

STATE NEWS.

Col. Sam. Young, the energetic editor of the East Brady *Independent*, has issued a prospectus for a new paper, to be called the *Reporter*, and published at Fairview, Butler county. It will be devoted to the oil interests of that place and the surrounding country.

There appeared in the obituary columns of the Philadelphia *Ledger* last week, notices of the deaths of thirteen persons—four men and nine women—who had lived to or beyond the advanced age of eighty years, the average being eighty-eight. Damaris Kline, eighty; William Brooke, eighty-one; Ann F. Wheeler, eighty-three; Josiah Hillman, eighty-four; Mary Farrow, eighty-five; Ann Saum, eighty-seven; Mary Biddle, eighty-eight; Mary W. Graham, eighty-eight; Alice McGrath, eighty-nine; Sarah Wagner, ninety; Elizabeth Beech, ninety-three, and Michael Ferry, one hundred and three.

Typhoid fever prevails in Indiana county.

Potatoes are selling in some parts of the State at thirty cents per bushel.

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The drought in Cumberland county is creating great suffering among cattle.

Mr. Abraham Coleman had one leg broken, the other blown off, his eyes blown out, and an arm broken, by the premature explosion of a blast, in a quarry opposite Hokendaqua, Lehigh county, on Thursday last. He died on Friday.

Rev. J. B. Brown, formerly pastor of the First M. E. Church, of Carlisle, will take his departure for India on the 23d inst.

North Middleton township, Cumberland county, is without a licensed house to sell liquor.

The largest coal breaker in the world is Coal Brook breaker, at Carbondale, Pa., which turns out 1,000 tons per day.

Mr. Wm. Jennings, an old resident of Jefferson township, Mercer county, died suddenly of apoplexy on Monday evening of last week. He was in apparent health but just stepped down from a door after eating a hearty supper, when he fell back and expired. He was about seventy years old.

The Montrose *Republican* says that a party of Elk Lake, raised this year, from one seed, thirty-five pumpkins, of which ten were as large around as a hair bushel, and ten others nearly as large, and the smallest as large around as a flour barrel.

On Monday night last, says the Susquehanna *Journal*, two children of Mr. Bigelow, residing about two miles from Susquehanna Depot, near Turkey Hill, met with a horrible death by being burned alive. It appears that their parents had left them alone in the evening, leaving in the house their three children, two boys and one girl. By some means, the building caught fire from the stove, and in a short time was wholly enveloped in flames. The oldest boy, about twelve years old, succeeded in escaping from the burning building, but his little brother and the aged respectively nine and seven years, perished in the flames. Coroner Mr. Hayes held an inquest on the man, and besides this terrible affliction by the untimely death of his children, he has lost his entire property.

John Hoagland, one of the oldest citizens of Mercer county, died a few days ago, in his eighth year. He had been a resident of the county seventy-six years. He was born in 1785 and was a Jerseyman.

Mr. J. P. George has sold the Brookville *Jeffersonian* newspaper establishment to Mr. Porter, heretofore editor and publisher of the Pionesta *Independent Democrat*.

Dogs' Faces and Men's Faces.

[From the Saturday Review.]

There is a fine, manly look about a big brown setter yonder, with bandy legs heavy shoulders—did you ever see kenneled muzzle more thoroughly the bulldog than this? The small eyes closed under the brows, the smooth, bullet forehead, the heavy jaw and underhung lip, the square-hanging dewlap. Then the mastiff, with the double bass voice, and the square-hanging jaw; and the shabby-looking turnspit, with his ear out at all sides, and his eye drawn up to its roots; and the greyhound, lean of rib and baggy of belly; and the pug, with his nose in the air, and his forehead retreating form his long eyebrowless eyes, and his mouth, without whiskers, and with shining hair cut close, and not curling, like pointers; the Bon man, he is grand fellow; and the setter-like man, he is grand fellow; and the foxhounders, like an inverted pyramid; and the giraffe-like man, he is a good fellow, and the bull-dog fellow. Don't we meet men like these every step we take in London? And if we know any such intimately, can we be morally blind to their characters or correspond some with their persons?

Holidays for Danish School Children.

In connection with the recent excursions for the poor children of New York and Philadelphia, the following from a Copenhagen letter to the New York *Evening Mail* will be read with interest: "Denmark it has been a regular custom to give the poor children from our schools, not a day in the country, but two or three weeks—a whole vacation. It was a veteran soldier, Frederick Barfod, who had the claim to be known—who first conceived the idea. He addressed himself to proprietors, farmers, parishes, municipalities, etc., in the country, and urged them to receive as guests for the summer vacation the children of his poor pupils; he ordered the means for sending them by rail of steamer, and he carried the whole business through. The philosopher still lives, his school-beads in Copenhagen are spread all over the land, even to the most distant parts, all the railways and steamboats accord them free passage, and even all the officials vieing with the public in assisting these benevolent designs.

"In snug recitories, solid farm houses, or the dependencies of stately mansions they spend in rustic delight the weeks which had else to be wasted in dingy back courts or sultry streets, healthily occupied in forest or field, instead of lounging about in depraved towns. They go pallid, meager and weary, they return healthy, ruddy and sunburned, full of new notions and looking eagerly forward to next summer. This year the exhibition affords an opportunity for returning the hospitality of the country, and one of the papers publishes a proposal for giving by turns to the country children a day in town.

A New Method of Packing Butter.

A Michigan dairyman has lately published his method of packing butter. He has oaken tubs, with heads at each end. They are eighteen inches in diameter at top, 9 inches at the bottom, and 16 inches deep. In packing, a cambric bag is made to fit the tub. The butter is packed in the tub as it stands on the small end—the sack being long enough to extend above the edges of the tub—and it pressed down firmly until within an inch and a half of the top. Then a cambric cloth is laid over it, the edge of the sack turned down over that, and a layer of fine salt placed on it. The head is now put in its place, the tub turned up, and the butter in the sack, or rather falling down to the bottom leaves a space all round it which is filled with brine poured through a hole in the small end. When filled the hole is corked up tight. The butter floats in the brine and is effectually excluded from the air, and will keep for an almost indefinite period.

A NOVEL and very successful scheme of postoffice robbery has just been unearthed at Boston. The attention of the officers was first drawn to the case by a draft of $1,200, which was sent from Irasburg, Vt., and which failed to reach the parties for whom it was intended; and an investigation led to the discovery that it had been cashed, the money having been drawn by a man who had collected it for Lucius W. Cram, insurance agent, who had rooms near him. Cram was arrested on Thursday, and said that he had received the draft from one W. Williams, a stencil-plate cutter, who was soon afterarrested. It still remained a mystery how the latter had come into the possession of the draft, but an examination of his rooms disclosed a number of keys which were found to unlock a number of boxes in the postoffice belonging to business men. Cram was a clew to the mystery, and it was soon discovered that he had rifled a number of letters. On the last fortnight, the value of drafts and checks known to have been taken by him amounting to over $6,000. The motive to the crime is a mystery, as Williams has a profitable business. Cram, who drew the money on the checks, is an insurance broker. Both parties were held in $5,000 bonds each, until the November term.

The German government continues to be much troubled by the large dimensions of the emigration to America. It is stated that according to authentic advices from the interior, the numbers are increasing in such proportions that by the 1st of January, 1873, the figures will be double what they were in the year preceding the late war. As usual, the bulk of the emigrants are young men anxious to avoid military service. It was in reference to this movement that the circular from the War Minister was issued by the emperor's orders, last July. As this has apparently had no appreciable effect in checking the stream, a second circular, couched in still more threatening terms than the first, has just been published. It recalls to the public the fact that emigrants make themselves liable to the severest penalties by the course they adopt, and that if they persist in it they will be treated as outlaws for life. At the same time a special service is to be instituted for the more effective surveillance and supervision of the districts which offend in this matter to the greatest extent. But in spite of all this, the emigration has only been slightly diminished.

The *Journal of Applied Chemistry* says: "Soak the feet well in warm water, then with a sharp instrument pare off as much of the corn as can be done without pain, and bind up the part with a piece of linen or muslin, thoroughly saturated with sperm oil, or, what is better, the oil which floats upon the surface of herring or mackerel. After three or four days the dressing may be removed by scraping, when the new skin will be found of a soft and healthy texture, and less liable to the formation of a new corn than before. We have this recipe from a source which we cannot well doubt, and publish it for the benefit of many readers."

MR. AND MRS. SIMON CAMERON will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage to-day at their residence in Harrisburg.

SECOND EDITION.

WASHINGTON.

The November Election.

Outlook in Northern States.

Greeley Stock at Low Ebb.

Republican Confidence that Grant Will Carry New York.

THE BETTING TEN TO ONE.

Delaware, Too, Likely to Wheel in Line.

Prospects in New Jersey Good.

Reaction Against Greeley in Virginia.

The South Carolina Election.

Revised Postal Regulations

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 16, 1872.

The Political Outlook.

All the information that the Congressional Committee is now receiving from the Northern States, is to the effect that while the Democrats and Liberals are talking boldly in public, the hope of electing Greeley is generally abandoned. In New York State the indications are numerous of a desire on the part of Democrats to exchange Greeley votes for help on their local tickets. Within two or three days a number of active politicians from New York of both parties have been in Washington, and while Republicans expressed the utmost confidence of Grant carrying the State, the Democrats expressed the opinion that the best that could be said of Greeley's chances was that they were very small. The betting fraternity here have information that their associates in New York are now offering to bet one hundred dollars to ten that Grant will carry the State. The Committee also begins to feel quite hopeful of carrying the State of Delaware, as excessive Democratic dissatisfaction is reported from all parts in that State. Governor Ward and Representative Babey, of New Jersey, are here to-day, and both regard the Republican prospects in their State as exceedingly favorable. A general reaction against Greeley is reported from Virginia, and a vigorous Republican campaign will begin there immediately.

Postal Regulations.

The Postoffice Department is mailing new instructions under the revised postal code. The paragraph in regard to collecting unpaid rates on letters is as follows: "After the 1st of November, all letters forwarded charged with the amount due, to be collected on delivery." This is still construed by the Postmaster General to authorize the collection of double the amount of the unpaid rate.

The Liberal Headquarters.

A card is printed here to-day, dated at what is termed the office of the National Liberal Headquarters, notifying the

The Daily Commercial.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1872.

In his speech at Louisville, lately, Mr. GREELEY, doing his best to please his Southern hearers, declared his conviction that in the days before the war he might have visited the South, and "no one would have laid a hand on him. The gentlemen would not have done it, and I do not believe they would have let the rowdies do it." Of course Mr. GREELEY did not believe his own words, and the declaration is a good illustration of his method of dealing with facts. In 1863, in the *Tribune*, GREELEY wrote, "Perhaps the rebels as a body, would have given, even one year ago, as large and as hearty a vote for hanging the writer of this article as any other man living." [*Parton's Life of Greeley, p. 512.*]

The National Board of Trade, composed of representatives from the principal commercial associations of the leading cities of the Union, is now in session in New York. The questions to be discussed by the convention embrace a wide variety of subjects, most of them having direct and practical relation to the commercial interests of the nation at large. The Board is composed of some of the most eminent and practical business men of the nation, and their resolutions and recommendations concerning the various matters to be brought before them for consideration, will undoubtedly receive the respectful consideration of Congress, and to some extent direct the action of that body in shaping the commercial legislation of the country.

The curious points of resemblance we have several times noted between the overturned Confederate conspiracy of which GREELEY is the head and front, and that which MILTON has described in stately verse, are further illustrated by the character of the "addresses" which are just now being issued from the various headquarters, National, State and local, of the defeated coalition. Notwithstanding that their unprincipled machinations have been turned into confusion worse confounded, the voice of the leaders is still for war. Unconsciously paraphrasing the language of the great poet, they cry:

"What though the field be lost? All is not lost.
The stern resolve, the unconquerable will,
Immortal hate and study of revenge,
Remain."

And this, from appearances, seems to be the sole motive, passion and inspiration left to them. Such is the animus of the party of "reconciliation."

The outspoken Greeley press continues to riddle FORNEY without mercy. One paper, which a few weeks ago lauded him to the skies for a man of granite-firm integrity, now contemptously scoffs at him as "a professional harlequin," and says that "such back-somersaults as this party Jack can throw would secure him a fortune in a circus," while another "Liberal" journal, which is evidently not without knowledge concerning the matter, declares that, "to be perfectly plain about it, FORNEY had both legs on one side of the fence on Tuesday, and would have jumped down on the GRANT side on Wednesday if BUCKALEW had been elected." From every quarter of the coalition he is pelted with derisive and insulting epithets by those whom he joined in the hour of their promised victory and deserted in the very moment of their defeat. Some days ago we said FORNEY mistook versatility for astuteness, and flexibility for strength. By this time he probably begins to doubt whether he has either insight or power.

A few days ago our telegraphic columns contained an account of the destruction of the office of the Raleigh, North Carolina, *Sentinel*, by explosion; a quantity of powder having, it was stated, been placed in the building by some scoundrelly miscreants. The editor of the paper is an intense Southern partisan, and therefore, as is quite natural, an ardent supporter of HORACE GREELEY. This being the case, the Confederate press at once jumped to the conclusion that the outrage was the work of Republicans, and that it was perpetrated in the interests of the re-election of President GRANT. The prevalent impression in the city where it occurred, however, appears to be that the editor himself—who has been known to procure pretended attempts to have himself shot for the sake of political effect—either did it himself or caused it to be done, for the same purpose. There was, it seems, a considerable insurance on the office, and it further appears that the malignant course of the paper toward the Republicans of North Carolina has helped rather than injured the party. This opinion that the destruction was effected at the instance of the editor himself, is said to be shared in by some of the most prominent and influential Democrats of that city. Of its correctness we do not, of course, undertake to judge. Still, it is worthy the study of those who sought to make political capital for GREELEY out of the matter.

Apparently in nowise abashed by the successive reprobations they have met with at the hands of the people, the leaders of the "Liberal" coalition continue to misrepresent the policy and motives of the Republican party as flagrantly and persistently as ever. Thus, the principal GREELEY organ of New England deliberately asserts that under the operations of the tariff, which it characterizes as "opposed to the proper and healthy growth of all domestic commerce and industry," our ocean shipping is fast disappearing; whereas the facts are that our shipping industries have for some time past shown a steady growth. The encouraging degree of activity prevalent in our iron ship yards is matter of universal knowledge; while as respects the construction of wooden vessels, Maine papers say that there is a much greater demand for ship timber than there has been for many years past, and that all the indications point to a general revival of ship building throughout New England next year. In the matter of steam vessels we already lead Great Britain, having, at the beginning of 1870, 3,469 vessels, aggregating 1,175,084 tons, while our great commercial rival had but 3,186 vessels, with a total tonnage of 1,111,375 tons. It is quite true that for a considerable period after the close of the war, the depredations of the rebel cruisers continued to be felt, in their effects. If, however, the spirit which set them afloat, and which is now endeavoring, by the assistance of such journals as that from which we quote, to obtain control of the government of the nation, can only be prevented from working the mischief on which it seems bent, a few years will witness the complete restoration of our mercantile marine.

GREELEY'S SENTIMENTALISM.

When Mr. GREELEY set out from home on his recent electioneering tour through the West, he evidently expected to produce a great effect upon the popular mind by his explication and reiteration of the policy of amnesty. The cry certainly appeals to the weakest side of the American character. It is a good while now since reaction began among the people of the North in the direction of sympathy for the stricken and suffering South. Having forgiven the Confederates for their wrong, the people of the North rejoice to know that they are recovering from the natural effects of the war, and are beginning to prosper under the new conditions established by the abolition of slavery. And if it were true that the present administration had pursued a policy of proscription and general cruelty in the South, and that the people there do not to-day enjoy whatever advantages a policy of forgiveness and indulgence is adapted to afford, Mr. GREELEY's watchword of amnesty might have proved favorable to himself and injurious to General GRANT. Familiar with the history of relations between the North and the South, a majority of the people to whom Mr. GREELEY appeals for their votes on such an issue are simply disgusted. They well know that, if there are bitter grievances at the South which might have been prevented by government action, or which would not exist if government had abstained from action, the ruling class of the late slave States are responsible for them. At the close of the war, though there was a decided current of opinion in favor of meting out severe punishment to a few ringleaders of the rebellion, the North was nearly unanimous in favor of treating the masses of the South with gentleness, or rather of forgiving them wholly. THADEUS STEVENS's scheme of punishment by confiscation met with few supporters, and no method of punishing large numbers of those lately in arms against the government could have been devised which would not have been rejected by the North as impolitic. The North would have rejoiced to see them quietly and earnestly engage in the work of reconstructing themselves. But an opportunity to do so having been offered them by the military order of the President, the conventions or legislatures which assembled in the several Southern States began at once either to enact or to revive laws discriminating harshly and unjustly against the freedmen, for the evident purpose of punishing them for their sympathy with the Union in the struggle which had just closed. Mr. GREELEY himself, referring to the members of these conventions, said: "They do not feel quite strong enough to whip the Union for their defeat, but they do feel able to punish the blacks, and no doubt a great many of them feel and say, 'Well made these niggers realize that liberty is not such a very fine thing for them as they think it is.'" Nor have the people of the North forgotten—they would be silly if they did not remember—how, under President JOHNSON's rule of indulgence and clemency, hundreds of Union men and thousands of harmless colored men were murdered, and no person was ever called to account for their deaths. The horrible scenes witnessed in Memphis and New Orleans are still remembered, and while they suggest no reason against amnesty at the present time, they do suggest the folly and injustice of Mr. GREELEY's sentimentalism, besides affording excellent reason why the freedmen, citizens of the United States, should not be handed over to the absolute control of their former masters. And this would be the result of a Democratic triumph in the person of HORACE GREELEY.

AMERICANS IN PARIS.

Who could have fancied that our Presidential elections would carry confusion into the social life of Paris? It has commonly been supposed that fashionable society in the French capital is perfectly independent of forms of government and political events, not only in other countries, but in France itself, so that no matter who reigns, or what may be the name of the existing rule, the fashionable people of Paris dance, talk and in other ways amuse themselves, caring as little for sublunary politics as for the changes of the moon. It is not so now, it seems. A French journalist states, in apparent sincerity, that the life of Paris is dependent on the presence of its American residents, and that their departure *en masse*, to attend to their electoral duties in the United States, has produced a most depressing effect upon Parisian society. For many years now it is only America, he says, that entertains Paris, and enables it to live in the splendid style which still imposes upon France and Europe. The great city some time ago consumed its revenues, and is no longer able with its own resources to do honor to its traditional luxury and legendary splendors. But, thanks to the Yankee, Paris has thus far sustained her rank in the world. Let the Yankee depart, her prestige must disappear, and she must descend to the rank of those fallen capitals, Venice, Naples, Turin, Moscow, and the rest. Lest the writer should be suspected of paradox or a sneer, he refers to facts in evidence of American ascendancy in Paris. Who have the finest *hotels* in the city? Americans—the RIGGSES, the SLIDELLS, the PAYNES, the SIMONSES, the SMITHS, with many other "and sons" "and Co's." Who drive the sensational equipages in the Champs Elysees and in the *Bois*? Americans, always Americans. Americans are the chief patrons of the opera; an American woman, Mrs. E. M., has more diamonds than any other woman in Paris; Mr. STEWART, an American, buys more paintings and other objects of art than anybody else. Finally, the writer asks, who provides the largest marriage portions for the ancient names of the French aristocracy? and the answer is—"Young America, desirous of *decitizening* herself." But we cannot reproduce the entire argument by which the Frenchman seeks to establish his position.

Residence in the French capital, according to this writer, exerts a rather curious influence on the American race. While in the men it only draws out and makes more conspicuous the Anglo-Saxon character, it completely transforms the women into Parisians of the time. It afterward appears, however, that a transformation as regards externals chiefly is meant, as the writer accredits the American woman of Paris with certain traits not commonly found in her Parisian sisters. Instead of calumniating and disparaging one another, after the Parisian fashion, the American women of Paris defend and uphold each other zealously. They are champions of their sex, and the rash adventurer who attacks one of them soon has the "entire corporation" in pursuit of him. "This," the Frenchman says, "is a virtue, and French women would play a very different part in our country, if they had this solidarity." While criticising the Parisian-American woman's taste in dress, and some other faults, this Frenchman says she has two great qualities which compensate all defects and form the supreme attraction of her society. These are undeviating rectitude or perfect straightforwardness and absolute security in social intercourse. A part of the meaning of this commendation seems to be that she believes in herself, and therefore in others, and that she is not childishly afraid where there is no danger of being compromised. We may add that the "absolute security" of American women in American society is one of their traits which many foreigners find most difficult of comprehension, but which, once understood, they never forget.

A New Plan to Get Diamonds.

[From the New York World.]

A correspondent, speaking of Mr. James H. Martin's diamond foundry in Brooklyn, relates the case of a man named Charles John Williamson, of Greenbush, New York, who recently died of so novel a disease that a post-mortem examination of his body was made by Drs. Wood H. Thayer and Israel T. Heare. Several years prior to his death Mr. Williamson had suffered from enormous aggregations of adipose matter which accumulated in various portions of his body. About two years ago he began to grow lean, and finally wasted away almost to a shadow, this etiethiepeiritribomenosis being unaccountably accompanied by swellings about the joints, upon which urate of soda was supposed to have been deposited, as is common in gout. Finally the man died in great agony, and a post-mortem examination showed that his joints were literally set with diamonds deposited, there by the chemical working of diseased blood. The theory of Drs. Heare and Thayer was that the accumulated fat, in wasting away, had left the pure carbon, in which adipose matter is so rich, on the joints, where, while Mr. Williamson had lain unable to move his feet, had crystallized into the purest diamond. His relatives did not mourn as those do to whom one leaves but an ordinary cadaver. The correspondent suggests that, as the human body is ultimately but carbonic acid, ammonia and water, cadavers should be adamantined by first passing them first to a drying process to eliminate the water, then to an acid bath to neutralize the ammonia, and then long up on a quiet nail to allow the carbon to crystalize.

Among the enterprises which are attracting considerable attention in upper Michigan just now is the manufacturing of the extract of hemlock for tanning purposes, or in fact the tannin of commerce, heretofore obtained principally through the use of oak bark. In this case it is obtained not only from the bark, but also the boughs and foliage of the hemlock by steaming and pressing. It is thought that it can be produced at a much less cost than by the old process, and the fluid offered to the tanners in much more convenient form, while for the tannin, or tannic acid of commerce, it will be far the best. If the liquid has anything like the merits which it is claimed for it, the revolution which it will work in the tanning business can be easily anticipated. The principal tanneries of the country are located in forests far distant from slaughtering points, it being found far more convenient to transport the hides to the tanneries than the bark to the hides. If this product will do the work of tanning as well as it is done by the old process, its principal source will be on the Atlantic seaboards, where the Australian and South American hides are received, and the expense of constructing tanneries will be reduced from one-quarter to one-third, while the freight on it to the seaboard will not aggregate any more than the freights now paid on the hides to the tanneries. Besides it will be of great advantage to all local tanneries throughout the country.

Lord Napier's address at the opening of the Social Science Congress in London is one of the sensations of the dull season. His Lordship boldly attacked the land question, and avowed opinions which will certainly not be received with exuberant sympathy by the majority of his order. He recognizes the social and political disadvantages of an excessive monopoly of land, and thinks England would be all the better for a repartition and diffusion of this description of property. He also counsels the abolition of the laws of primogeniture and entail. Although in the majority of instances proprietors might be expected, especially in the beginning of the new system, to devise their estates to their eldest sons, there would, he thinks, be a gradual tendency towards a division of families, and that practice would gradually increase, and the benefits of a stake in the soil would be disseminated without any violent shock. It is something to hear from a member of the House of Lords; and Lord Napier's name, it may be presumed, will occur with some frequency in the "extra-parliamentary utterances" of the next month or two.

French duplicity, says a late Paris letter, is curiously exemplified by an allegation made, and not rebutted, about M. Gambetta's life. He has two lodgings. One in Rue Montaigne, where he receives the public generally and his constituency and party friends. These lodgings are small, poorly furnished; some of the furniture is rickety. M. Gambetta dresses shabbily here. In Rue Royelleine he has a splendid first floor, luxuriously furnished; here he lives, but only his most intimate person, al friends are received here. It speaks ily for their delicacy to have betrayed his secret, as the revelation of his double life could have come only from one of them. Two households are kept by a great many men. In one their wife and family live; in the other their mistress and sometimes the children by her. I stumble almost every day upon these double households. How the men find money to support them is a mystery of Paris, whose secret I am unable to discover. Henri Rochefort had no less than six lodgings, but the reason of several of them was to enable him to escape arrest.

A letter from Bourgers (Thrace) in a Constantinople journal says: "The news from the interior of our *vaza* is anything but pleasant. Brigandage is in every where on the increase, and the country between the villages can only be carried on at the risk of life and property. In the villages themselves the same reckless disregard on the part of the authorities for the safety of the villagers is apparent. A fortnight since the inhabitants of Gheneck, Soubeid their annual fair, which was extensively patronized by the Mussulmans of the neighborhood. Armed soldiers paraded the streets, sword in hand, plunging the shops and insulting and maltreating every one they met. A number of other persons, both Christian and Mussulman, were wounded seriously during this disgraceful affray, which at last assumed the proportions of an insurrection against the villages of Stollow, Grammatichow, and Morreyo and other villages have similar to complain of on the part of the Turks frequenting their fairs. The cads of Sinestra, literally swarms with Circassian brigands, who hold the unfortunate villagers in constant dread of their lives.

The completion of the Australian overland telegraph lines is an important step toward girdling the earth with an electric belt. A telegraph message of twenty words can now be sent from London to Queensland for fifty dollars. The whole distance which such a message will travel is fourteen thousand miles, and it will reach its destination within thirty hours. A cable from San Francisco to Sydney would offer better facilities for the quick transmission of messages from the English capital to Australia than the eastern lines. With civilization retrograding in Japan, it is not likely that a cable to the island empire would pay as well as one connecting the Pacific cost with the future United States of Polynesia.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

The movement of wheat has been augmented within the last three weeks, and the actual supply is about 5,000,000 bushels, against 8,750,000 in 1871, at the corresponding date. The export movement to Europe from seaboard ports has been, the last four weeks, double what it was for the four previous weeks.

There are to be very few of the unwashed left in Boston, for 1,412,671 baths were taken at the establishments provided therefor by the public during the summer months. No wonder they begin to talk about the necessity of dredging out the channel of Charles river.

Mr. Ross Winans, the Baltimore millionaire, left Newport on last week. He had but fourteen car ringes and twenty-two horses there this season, but next season he will go better prepared to enjoy the beautiful drives of the island.

While the leading newspapers of the country have their regular news bureaus at Washington, which is really an important center for news during only a small part of the year, none of them have hitherto had an office in New York, which is always a focus of information. Now, however, the Boston *Advertiser* is to have a regular news bureau in that city.

At a Chicago restaurant the other night, supper well attended by ravenous Chicagoans, was in full blast when the place suddenly became enveloped in Egyptian darkness. Most of the feeders, seeing the gas light out, took occasion to follow its example, and light out also.

Probably the largest pigeon-roost ever known in Maryland is now existing on the farm of William Schley, near Oakland, in Allegany county. The pigeons collect nightly on a tract of ground covered with alder bushes, occupying about six acres. The pigeons first appeared about ten days ago, in countless flocks.

The people of the Texas frontier having been robbed by savages for a number of years, the government has appointed Messrs. Thomas P. Robb and Richard H. Savage a commission to fix up the border questions. *Sanditis shalibus curantur.*

A hunting boat, weighing only fourteen and a half pounds, has been constructed by a Michigander for his personal use. It is made of ducking, with ribs of ash splints, fitting into loop sockets. He can fold it up and carry it on his back, with his gun and provisions. In case a storm overtakes him on the water, he can run his boat ashore, take it apart, and put it up as a tent.

The Vermont Legislature is discussing a bill to abolish the death penalty. If the assassins could be persuaded to lead the way in this most desirable reform, the rest would be easy enough.

Prof. Helmholtz, one of the most eminent German scientists, advances the theory that the commencement of our planetary system, including the sun, must be regarded as an immense nebulous mass which filled the portion of space which is now occupied by our system, far beyond the limits of Neptune, our most distant planet.

The instantaneous lighting or extinguishing of gas lamps is now proposed to be effected by attaching a separate galvanic battery to each burner, and an apparatus for accomplishing this object has just been invented and successfully employed in England.

The imports at New York last week show a large decrease, both of dry goods and general merchandise, the total being less than six and three-quarter million dollars in foreign gold value.

The schoolmaster is certainly abroad in Ireland. The census of county Carlow, just published, shows a population of 51,650, out of whom 9,286 can read only, and 17,868 are wholly illiterate. Three persons can speak no other language but the Irish.

The Wisconsin marshes are yielding alternate crops of intermittent fever and cranberries to the extent of from two hundred to three hundred bushels to the acre.

Fort Wayne, Indiana, boasts a talking monkey. Naturalists are not quite agreed whether it is an improved development of an ape into an average Greeley Indianian, or an average Greeley Indianian on the wane to Darwinian first principles.

The October number of *McMillan's* contains an article on "Art and Morality," by G. A. Simcox, in which is this passage: "To the pure all things are pure: it is recorded of one of the best public men of America that even the *ballet* always filled him with religious rapture." Can any one give the name of this statesman who became religiously enraptured in such a curious way?

The phylloxera vastatrix is devastating the vineyards of Schaffhausen. Don't write to this office to know what a phylloxera vastatrix is; apply to the postmaster at Schaffhausen, who will be charmed to tell you.

Chicago's moral spasm is becoming violent. It is even suggested that Sunday newspapers be abolished.

The fashion of hanging handsome apartments with tapestries has been revived, much to the delight of antiquarians and upholsterers.

Oregon proposes to dispense with grand juries. There has been considerable dissatisfaction with this system of indictment, especially throughout the West, but no effective substitute seems yet to have been devised.

The following shows the space in square yards occupied by former exhibitions, and to be used in Vienna: London (Hyde Park), 1851, 94,000; Paris, 1855, 128,214; London, 1862, 222,316; Paris, 1867, 687,640; Vienna, 1873, 783,360.

A pair of grocer's scales were used in evidence in a recent murder trial in Louisville; so it will be seen that the scales of justice are not a myth.

It is a curious subject for philosophic reflection that the aspect of a modern fine lady often presents the features which characterized the wives of our barbarous forefathers in both periods of the Stone Age. They appear with the feathers and plumes on their heads which the early savage prized so much, as well as in the mechanism and carriage of his more refined successor, while rouge and paint supply the want of that woad on which the early savage set such store.

A few days ago some Indians offered for sale at the Puget Sound Bank, in Olympia, a considerable quantity of coarse gold dust—commonly called coarse gold—and, on being asked where they obtained it, pointed toward the Cascade Mountains, in the direction of the Snoqualmie.

This is the way in which the cattle disease is stamped out in Germany. One day recently there died all of a sudden three cows on the farm of a peasant near Emlsbuttle, with all the symptoms of the "cattle disease." Eighteen cows, which had been in contact with them, were at once killed without delay and burned to cinders. All the meadows on which they had been in pasture have been staked off by the police.

There are four parishes in Louisiana, with a population of about 45,000 of all ages, colors and sexes, in which 4,000 barrels of whisky are required to meet the yearly demand. It has been estimated, upon a fair basis of calculation, that the consumers in these four parishes pay half a million dollars yearly for liquor and strong drinks—about three times the amount of their State and parish taxes.

The "Anti-Horse-Thief Society" of Illinois, Iowa and Missouri held a general meeting recently. The two thousand members of this order have had only two horses stolen in the last year, which were recovered and the thieves caught and convicted. This is a secret society, and its members know each other on sight.

Strange, but there are fashions in candy even for, and now the native manufactures, peppermint sticks and (can you believe it) *taffy* are most sought after by our sweet consuming belles.

A large number of rooms are already engaged at the public and private houses at Rye Beach, for next summer, the countless disappointments this year causing would-be visitors to speak in season.

Evansville, Indiana, has in course of erection a rail mill, and is now agitating the subject of putting up blast furnaces. There is an abundance of block coal within forty miles of the city, easily accessible by railroads already completed or soon to be finished. It is estimated that iron of good quality can be made at a cost of only $23.62 per ton. An effort is being made to organize a company to carry out this project.

Genius without taste, says Tilton, will often commit enormous follies; and, what is worse, it will not be sensible of them. Greeley and Tilton are both claimed as men of genius.

The farmers of New England are feeding their cows on sour apples. It is stated that they furnish excellent butter instead of milk. It is now proposed to feed them on hops in order to ascertain what sort of beer they will yield.

Cotton in California.

The Kern county (Cal.) *Courier* says of cotton and cotton culture in that portion of California: We have referred to the experiments being conducted in this vicinity in the cultivation of cotton so often that we now do so at the risk of the subject being considered a rather stale one by readers at a distance. Here, however, it is awakening a strong feeling of interest, the progress of the crop is carefully watched, the final results looked for with anxiety, and high hopes indulged as to the future agricultural progress of our valley, if successful. Since we last referred to this subject, the cotton fields still maintain the high promise we then noted. None of it has suffered injury from the insects, of which we hear some complaints in other places. The rapidity and luxuriance of its growth is remarkable, putting it unmistakably to be a natural adaptation to this locality. Mr. Allen informs us that his crop is at least one month in advance of any which have been if planted at the same time in his native State, South Carolina. Much of it is nearly five feet in height, and the branches interlocking across the rows. He finds it necessary in some places to stop this superabundant growth. He expects to commence picking in the early part of next month, and although his crop was planted very late—namely, in June—he confidently anticipates a yield double that of the ordinary average of the Southern States, if frost does not come earlier than usual. Altogether the prospects of the crop continue entirely favorable. Yesterday we examined it in company, and its even and regular appearance is remarkable.

The Resources of Japan.

A writer in *Blackwood's Magazine*, speaking from personal knowledge of the natural resources of Japan, says: In minerals the country is very rich. The precious and useful metals are found there in large quantities, as well as coal, and a few mines are already worked on an important scale. Rock crystal is abundant, pearls and corals are fished along the coast, but no diamonds, or indeed any other stones of value, have yet been found. We all know how able the Japanese are in metal working, especially in cutting fine gold and copper; we have but a general idea of the matchless finish and subtle delicacy of the handling, and of the talent which that handling reveals. With the skill with which they have so long possessed, and with their capacity of imitation (for it be remembered that they will copy to the minutest detail an engine solely from a description in a Dutch book), it may be expected that they will soon produce all the hardware with which we are supplied them. In manufactures generally there has not, thus far, been much development. Although several European articles, such as window glass, grape wine, and beer are beginning to be made on a small scale, the fine large products of Japan, in lacquer, porcelain, and silk crape, no change can possibly be wished for; they are as perfect as they are beautiful. Foreigners have not learnt to equal them. Indeed, the secret of good lacquer and of weaving silk with the same pattern on both sides has never been discovered outside Japan.

A Queer Invention.

At the Wisconsin Fair a writer in the Chicago *Journal*, "one of the most laughter-provoking of the many 'patents' exhibited was a bedstead with a partition extending from the headboard about half way down the bed. The inventor claims that the object of this great invention is to prevent bedfellows from inhaling each other's breath. Doubtless, in some cases, the dividing line would be very desirable. Many were the jokes perpetrated on the 'patent divorce court,' as the new invention was called, and as all the married folks took a wide latitude in discussing the merits of the new arrangement, very many sharp hits and dubious puns were made at the expense of the invention, and at each other as well.

PERSONAL.

Miss Nellie Grant, U. S. Grant, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Borie will arrive from Europe this week in the Cunard steamer Scotia. The President's daughter, it is said, will make her debut in Washington this winter at a full dress ball, to be given in her honor by a distinguished lady of that city.

The London *Globe* has just made and proclaimed a grand discovery, after which we must divest ourselves of all respect and reverence for the memory of Lafayette. It appears from this veracious paper, that he did not come to our assistance free, pure and exalted and honorable motives. He had been some time in London, the guest of his uncle, then the French Ambassador, and had learned at his court certain secrets of the government, which he treacherously took to America, and sold for the rank of Major General!

An English letter-writer says Mr. Stanley seems determined to destroy what respect was entertained for him in that country, and that his conduct is altogether unaccountable. His last *escapade* has caused much comment. He received and accepted an invitation to dine with the Fishmongers' Company, which is, as such things go, one of the highest social honors that can be conferred in London. The night comes and the other distinguished guests were in their place, but no Mr. Stanley, and he had not had even the common civility to send an excuse or explanation of his absence. This was considered as disrespectful to his hosts that the chairman of the evening publicly called attention to the fact. The great discoverer must be more careful.

Cordelia Howard, the original *Eva* in "Uncle Tom's Cabin," is married, and doesn't expect to *Eva* play again.

The latest sensation Josephine Mansfield has given New Yorkers was last Saturday morning, when she suddenly sailed away in the St. Laurent for Paris, being accompanied by Ella Wesner, the male character singer. Wesner had been treacherously advertised to open on Monday at the Theater Comique. The city was posted with her, by cuts, yet off she went, leaving manager and agent in the lurch. Her agent, Alston Brown, is many hundred dollars loser by her trip.

Madame Pauline Lucca is severely denounced in the Berlin play-bills as "contract breaking," by having departed for the United States, and this denunciation will have the effect of excluding her from all the theaters in Germany. Her children and parents have gone with her, but not her husband, from whom she has been separated. In a letter addressed to the *Fremdenblatt*, Madame Lucca assigns as the cause of her departure from Berlin the persistent attacks made upon her by a cabal devoted to the interest of a rival prima donna (Madame Mallinger).

A Virginia negro, who left his home some forty years ago, went North, and subsequently settled in St. Louis. During this long interval he never heard of his mother and believed her dead. He was employed at the St. Louis Fair the other day, when he was confronted in the midst of the multitude by an old colored woman of seventy-five years of age, who recognized him as her long lost son, and falling upon his neck kissed him and wept. She had come all the way from James river in her old age to hunt for her son, and found him as stated.

A dreadful disaster has overtaken a woman named Oiler, of Kansas. She was washing shirts last week on the "back stoop" of her residence when she received a letter from an uncle saying that she was one of a few heirs to three millions of dollars in Scotland. She hasn't been able to wash any shirts since.

For the benefit of people who are still puzzled about the personality of the novelist, "Ouida," it is now stated that that mysterious personage is Miss De la Rame, a middle aged, plain looking London lady, who "associates entirely with gentlemen, makes pets of various unsavory animals, and dubs herself with curious objects, keeps irregular hours, and generally impresses one as a cross between a sorceress and a lunatic."

Mrs. Levi Woodbury, who was a belle in President Jackson's day, when her husband was Secretary of the Navy, spends her summers with her daughters, at her old home in Portsmouth, N. H., and may often be seen riding horseback alone in the suburbs of that delightful old town.

Deodorization of Offal from Slaughter houses.

Numerous efforts have been made within a few years past to devise some means of deodorizing the material from which spring all the bad smells about slaughter houses. Some sixty patents have been granted in reference to this matter, all of which failed to do the work satisfactory. The Chicago *Inter-Ocean* describes a process just put into operation at one of the largest slaughter houses in that city, which has been tested, and gave encouraging results. The journal named says:

The inventors of this system have been engaged for some time experimenting upon the different methods of burning coal to produce maximum heat of heat with a minimum expenditure of fuel. The process consists of a peculiarly constructed furnace with a hot air chamber in which the fuel is burned, pulverized as fine as smoke. By one operation all the bad smells, the manure, the blood, the escape steam from the tanks, which no condensers can render innocuous, are thoroughly deodorized. The manure is used as fuel in one of the fire-places, the steam from the tanks being decomposed by the heat of the furnace, passes off as an inodorous gas, while the tank stuff and all refuse animal matter are dried in the body of the furnace, in a condition best fitting it for a fertilizer. The sixty to eighty per cent. of moisture in it, being evaporated without the slightest escape of effluvia, leaves, while the solid matter, with all its valuable fertilizing properties, is retained to form the manure

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, October 16, 1872.

In the settlement of October bills merchants report collections as slow and cash scarce. Houses who have always been ready with checks on presentation of bills are now asking time and in many cases can give only their promises to pay at three and sixty days in satisfaction of their obligations. This paper is now coming in on the banks in plentiful quantities for discount, the holders in turn finding it impossible to meet their October bills without realizing on paper received in settlement. The banks are doing their utmost to carry their customers through, and are loaning funds freely. There is no appearance of a concession as to rates.

—Western Pennsylvania and Ohio districts are feeling severely the decline in the price of wool. During the summer, when wool opened at 75 cents per pound, we urged upon our farmers to sell, as it was probably the top of the market, but, deluded by the experience of the former season, they held for higher prices: instead of an advance, prices have been receding all summer, and are now lower than at any time during the year. No. 1 pulled is quoted at 40 to 45 cents, and American full blood Merino at 57 to 60 cents per pound.

Manufacturers are waiting for still lower prices. Large auction sales of woolen goods in the East, by manufacturers who were compelled to raise money, realized, it is estimated, about 75 per cent. of actual cost. During last July we frequently pointed out that the inevitable result would be that wool would sell next season at 30 cents.

—The clip of Washington county is estimated as worth $1,500,000 at 70 cents. Bankers familiar with that trade, report not one-tenth of that amount sold, the rest being stowed away in barns and warehouses, the farmers in the meantime paying storage and insurance, losing the interest on their money, or worse—still paying interest to carry their stock and facing a market that is already declined fifty per cent., and which will probably decline still further before it can be brought to market. Were the wool now stored in the Western tier of counties marketed and the proceeds put into circulation we should have a rebound from the closeness of the present money market, and its beneficial influence would be felt throughout the whole of the western portion of the State.

—The following table shows the prices of railway stocks, gold, etc., at the various sessions of the New York Stock Exchange during the day:

October 16, 1872.	10:30 11:00	12:30 1:30	3:00 3:30
Gold	112¼ 112¼	112¼ 112¼	112
Canton	36	36	
Cumberland Coal	26	26	
Quicksilver	37¼ 37¾	37¾ 37¾	37¾
Pacific Mail	37¾ 37¾	37¾ 37¾	37¾
Adams Express	94	94	
Wells, Fargo Express	87	87	
American Express	64	64	
United States Express	64	64	
New York Central	96½ 96¾	96¾ 96¾	96¾
New York Central Scrip			
Erie	21¾ 21¾	21¾ 21¾	21¾
Reading	93¾ 93¾	93¾ 93¾	93¾
Michigan Central	91	91	
Michigan Southern	80¾ 80¾	80¾ 80¾	80¾
Illinois Central	120	120	
Cleveland and Pittsburgh	91	91	
Chicago and Northwest	25¾ 25¾	25¾ 25¾	25¾
Do. preferred	61¾ 61¾	61¾ 61¾	61¾
Rock Island	103¾ 103¾	103¾ 103¾	103¾
St. Paul	36¾ 36¾	36¾ 36¾	36¾
Do. preferred	69¾ 69¾	69¾ 69¾	69¾
Wabash			
Do. preferred			
Fort Wayne	94 94	94¼ 94	94
Ohio and Mississippi	30¾ 30¾	30¾ 30¾	30¾
Chicago and Alton	111	111	
Do. preferred	84		
Boston, Hartford & Erie	13¾	13¾	
Harlem	132	132	132
New Jersey Central	103¾ 103¾	103¾ 103¾	103¾
Union Pacific	84¾ 84¾	84¾ 84¾	84¾

—Messrs. Ira B. McVay & Co. report the following quotations of Government bonds in New York to-day, as furnished them by Jay Cooke & Co., their correspondents:

	Morn.	Noon.	Eve.
U. S. Bonds of 1881	116¾	116¾	116¾
U. S. Bonds of 1862	116	116	115¾
U. S. Bonds of 1864	116	116	116
U. S. Bonds of 1865	116	116	116
U. S. Bonds of 1865 (new)	114¾	114¾	114¾
U. S. Bonds of 1867	114¾	114¾	114¾
U. S. Bonds of 1868	114¾	114¾	114¾
10-40s	108¾	108¾	108¾
New 5s	111	111	110¾
Gold	112¾	113¼	113
Currency 6s	122	122	122

—James T. Brady & Co., corner of Fourth avenue and Wood street, quote United States securities in New York to-day as follows:

Gold	112¾
United States 6s of 1881	116¾
United States 5-20s of 1862	116
United States 5-20s of 1864	116
United States 5-20s of 1865	116
United States 10-40s	108¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1865	114¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1867	114¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1868	114¾
Currency Sixes	122

—The Secretary of the Treasury has officially notified the officers of customs throughout the country that as the gold now stands no stamps are required on any official document or paper issued by an officer of the United States Government, or on bills of lading, bills of sale of vessels, bonds given as custom bonds, charter parties, entries of goods, warrants and merchandise for consumption or warehousing, withdrawal entries, manifests, powers of attorney, marine protests, receipts or other similar documents.

—The earnings of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, main stem and branches, in the month of August, are reported at $1,292,976, against $1,147,241 in the same month of last year.

—The New Jersey Central, in an official circular to its stockholders, states the gross traffic from January 1 to October 1, 1872, at $5,339,009 (a part of the last month being estimated), the expenses in the same period, $3,168,000, and the net earnings, $2,171,000.

—William Ward, No. 22 Broad street, New York, quotes stock privileges as selling for one per cent. cash, bonus, on thirty days' time, and one to one and a half per cent. bonus on sixty days, at the following variations from the market price of the securities named:

	Puts.	Calls.
Central and Hud...1 to 1¼ below.	1 to 1¼ above.
Lake Shore.....⅞ to 1 below.	1⅛ to 1⅜ above.
Northwestern.....1¼ to 2 below.	1¼ to 1¾ above.
Ohio and Miss....1¼ to 2 below.	1¼ to 2 above.
Rock Island.....⅞ to 1¼ below.	1 to 1¼ above.
St. P., com. & pfd..1 to 2 below.	1½ to 2 above.
Union Pacific.....1 to 2 below.	2 to 2½ above.
Wabash.....⅝ to ⅞ below.	1¼ to 1½ above.
West. Union Tel...1¼ to 2 below.	2 to 2½ above.
Han. and St. Jo...1 to 1¼ below.	2½ to 3 above.
Gold 5s for 30 days.	
1 for 60 days.....1 to 1¼ below.	1 to 1¾ above.

The above rates all imply first-class names.

—Messrs. Bowen & Fox, brokers and members of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, furnish the following quotations of the closing prices to-day of the most active stocks:

Penn'a Central.....83½	Lehigh Valley R. R...83¾
Phila. and Erie.....25¾	North Penna R. R....49
Lehigh Navigation....85¼	United Cos of N. J.125
Catawissa.....54¾	Schuylkill Navigat'n.144
Oil Creek & Alley R..34	Reading.....67

PRODUCE AND GENERAL MARKETS

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL,
WEDNESDAY, October 16, 1872.

REMARKS—The market thus far during the week has ruled remarkably uniform, with but little or no change to note in prices of all leading articles. In perishable articles there are daily and even hourly changes, and so rapid are the *bona fide* transactions that quotations are difficult to obtain.

Flour, always a leading article in the market, continues firm and unchanged in price. The supply of all western brands is still reported short of the demand, whilst common and medium grades are at a "discount" just now.

Wheat continues in good demand for white and amber, the mills taking all prime lots offered. Red winter is a favorite with country millers, who are large purchasers.

The oats market is rather more firm, and we cannot reduce our former quotations.

Shelled corn is a shade better in consequence of its scarcity.

Rye is in light supply, with the demand limited. The market is quiet and unchanged.

Barley is reported quiet and prices nominal. Sales two cars medium at 85c; prime choice 90@95c.

Groceries are reported firm and unchanged in price with the exception of syrups, which we advance 5c per gal. on all rounds.

Beans and provisions continue in fair demand. Below will be found some changes in the rates, which will indicate the market correctly for the present.

Butter—The market at present contains "all sorts," which is unand a variety of prices, as to the manner it is put up and the quality of the article offered for sale.

Eggs are in good demand, with prices slowly advancing.

The following are the receipts of the leading articles of produce received during the past two weeks:

	Last week.	This week.	Total.
Flour, bbls	10,292	9,694	19,986
Apples, bbls	1,439	309	1,748
Cheese, lbs	1,945	1,903	3,848
Corn, bush	2,564	4,000	6,564
Wheat, bbls	4,815	2,932	7,747
Rye, bbls	1,376	1,300	2,676
Rye, sks	2,094	312	2,406
Oats, sks	3,076	1,000	4,076
Butter, pkgs	145	226	369
Bacon, lbs	4,817	108	4,925
Bacon, tcs	202	108	310

Below will be found the wholesale rates of the market unless otherwise noted:

APPLE BUTTER—New apple butter is in the market, and sells readily at 6@6½c per lb. Old is dull and low.

ASHES—We find no change to alter our figures, and report a good trade doing at the following figures: Soda, ash, common, 4½@5c; refined 6@6½c; nitrate soda (Peale's), 6½@7c; pearls, 10@11c; pearls 10@11c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 47 packages. There is an active demand for choice dairy and roll grades, and prime for best grades being 20, 25@28c per lb. Low grades not wanted.

BROOM CORN—Sales, as to condition and quality, at 6@7c.

BEANS—Old beans are about "played out," and few now in the market have come on to the Second-street market. Stock is now reported light, with some of prime white navy at $2.75@3.00 per bushel; common, $1.50@2.00.

BRAN—The market was very quiet, with a small sales at $16.00@17.00.

BAKER'S BAKING POWDER—We are reported sales at the following rates and a fair market reported: ¼ lb can $1.00 per dozen; ½ lb can $1.75 per dozen; 1 lb cans $3.00 per dozen.

CHEESE—Receipts 426 boxes. The market is reported rather stronger with rates as follows: Goshen 15@16c; Factory 13@15c; D. by 13@14c; Sapsigar 12@13c; Cream 12c; Simply in excess of demand and prices favor buyers.

VINEGAR—Pure cider vinegar, for table and pickling use will sell readily at 35c, 40 b. in bulk or packages.

CEMENT—The market shows no change in prices. We quote at Lowe, Bevan's Hydraulic, $2.50@2.75; Louisville, $2.50@2.70; Rosedale, $1.85@2.25; calcined plaster, $4.25@4.50 ₩ bbl.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Some coming in, but prices have not yet been established.

DUCKS—Wild ducks are arriving in light supply—the first of the season—and dressed command 75@80c per dozen, undressed, same figures.

CRANBERRIES—There are a number of varieties on the market all claiming to be A No. 1, and as we are not disposed to puff one at the expense of the others, we give our figures unsolicited. Best cultivated berries $14 00@15 00 per bbl; choice cultivated, $12 00@14 00; longer grades $10 00@12 00.

CANDLES—Following are the rates of the market: Mould candles firmly at 15c per lb; Stearine, full weight, 16c; 14 ounces, 15½c; star, 7 ounces, 21c per pound.

COUNTRY LOAD—Regular sales of 30@35 bags were made at 8½@9c per pound.

CINCINNATI LIVE—The market remains quiet and unchanged, with sales at $5.00 per case.

BACON—Only receipts to-day. There has been some slight changes in the market, which were noticed yesterday. They are as follows: Sugar cured hams 13c; sugar cured shoulders 11c; pl in shoulders 9½c; sides, rib, 12c; sides, clear, 11½c; clear 11c; breakfast bacon 13c; dried beef 20c; mess pork $16; ham sausage 10c, Lard in tierces 10c; refined 10c.

MINCE MEAT—The market is reported improving with sales of choice brands at 12c per lb.

FISH—The market continues to rule firm and sales are reported as follows: White fish, No. 1 shore, $5.50 per half bbl; Mackerel, No. 1 shore, $3.00@3.25 per bbl; No. 1 bays, $7.00@8.00; No. 2 bays, $6.00@6.50; No. 3 large, in small packages, $4.75 and $5 in bbls, new codfish, $6.50@7 for medium; $7.50@8 for split, $8.50@new Labrador, round, $7.

FLOUR—Receipts, 1,500 barrels. The supply is not equal to the demand. This is owing principally to the breakdown on our railroads, which is so serious that they can possibly attend to. Dealers have been obliged to wait thirty and forty days for their goods from Dayton, Ohio, and Richmond Indiana. Fancy brands of white wheat are not to be expected to advance, but of those where wheat or flour of wheat is grown cannot supply all the Eastern and Middle States. (this market will have to depend principally on western sources for the bulk of its supplies. We know not on what we said about the quality of the new spring wheat, but it is superior to that of some years past. Prices still remain the same, but an advance of 10@15c per bbl for all grades. We quote: Superfine, $4.00@4.25; extra, $4.25@4.50; family, $4.75@5.00; Mills, $5.00@5.50; Minnesota Island, $6 25. Rye flour $5.25. Buckwheat, $5.00.

FEED—Prices are unchanged, with a fair sales at the following rates: Coarse middlings $17 00@18 00; fine middlings $18 00@19 00; chopped corn and oats $1 40; chopped corn $1 50; chopped rye $1 50@1 60; corn and oats, $1 per bush.

HONEY—There is a fair trade demand at 23@25c ₩ lb.

GRAIN—The receipts of wheat, corn, oats, and rye for the past 24 hours were four loaded cars, as follows:

Wheat, sacks	340
Corn, sacks	420
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Sent to Dixmont.

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A Bold Robbery.

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Railway Injunction Case.

A bill in equity was yesterday filed in the Court of Common Pleas, at the instance of J. A. McKee, against the Allegheny Valley Railroad Company, setting forth that he is the owner of a tract of land in the Seventeenth ward, containing three acres; that the railway company has taken possession of a strip of said land, about twenty feet in width, for the purpose of erecting thereon a switch and siding; that they have not purchased the said land, and are proceeding in violation of law. He therefore prays for a preliminary injunction to restrain the company from appropriating the property. The preliminary injunction was granted and Saturday next was fixed for a further hearing in the case.

FIFTH AVENUE EXTENSION.

Meeting Yesterday.

The members of the Fifth Avenue Commission held a meeting yesterday afternoon in their room new City Hall. Owing to the "star chamber" manner in which the meeting was conducted, we are enabled to present but a limited report of the proceedings.

A member of the Commission stated that the contract for paving the avenue from Charlotte or Jumonville street to Penn avenue had been let—the Miller pavement having been decided upon.

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It is presumed that the meeting adjourned.

THE KNIFE AGAIN.

A Man Stabs His Wife and a Visitor.

A cutting affray of rather serious dimensions occurred in Temperanceville, at a late hour on Tuesday night. The allegations are that Mr. Twitch, residing on Main street, in the rear of Rogers's tavern, returned to his home on the evening named, and found the front door of his residence locked. He then went to the back door to try it, and while he had his hand on the knob he heard some one running down the back stairs. Thinking something was wrong he drew a knife, pushed the door open, and encountered Columbus Patterson, a fellow townanceville constable. As the constable dashed past him Mr. Twich says he stabbed him in the arm. Patterson ran away, and in a moment of excitement Twich ran up stairs to his wife's bed room. He found her in bed and without saying a word he stabbed her in the breast. The wound is not dangerous. Patterson has disappeared, and Mr. Twich is ready to give himself up if any information is made against him.

THE SOUTH SIDE JUBILEE.

The Republican Demonstration To-Night.

The preparations for the jubilee promised the people of the South side this evening were completed last night. Dr. M. A. Arnholt was elected marshal.

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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

The Thomas Concerts.

The concerts to be given by Theodore Thomas on the 28th and 29th inst, will introduce to the Pittsburgh public Mr. George L. Osgood, a young American singer of excellent voice and generous musical culture. Of him one of the most eminent critics of the New York says: "Mr. Osgood has acquired a reputation not only as a first-class artist, but as a composer of surprising merit. We have before us several songs of his composition; they are of the German school, simple, melodious, unaffected lyrics, the accompaniments denoting profound and conscientious study, and a thorough knowledge of harmony in all its intricacies. Mr. Osgood is a gentleman of fortune who devotes himself to art from a pure love of the divine science. The German pronounce him to be the most perfect interpreter living of Schubert's, Schuman's and Robert Franz's songs. He has studied for years with the accomplished singer of the Italian schools and is a pupil of Sibers, of Berlin. His style is of an extended compass, full and clear and sympathetic in all the registers, perfectly equal and competent to the arduous labors of the singer, while above all more than coupled with the surprising musical intelligence possessed by him.

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Alms's American Theater.

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Trimbles Varieties Theater.

There will be an entire change of programme at this house to-night when the new combination will appear in a sterling olio of songs, dances, Ethoptian-isms and an attractive afterpiece. Messrs. Trimble & Trimble are using every effort to please their patrons and are meeting with good success. Drop into the Varieties if you would enjoy yourself.

Academy of Music.

The very funny pantomime, "Flick and Flock," attracted another jam last night, and was received with the accustomed rounds of laughter. It must be admitted here, as it is in the large cities of the East, that Messrs. Maffitt and Bartholomew stand at the head of the pantomimic art in America—by their exceeding fine bounds of decency and propriety, they draw from a more genuine and continued laughter than any artists on the stage, be they actor, clown or mountebank.

"Flick and Flock" is a highly enjoyable novelty, and should be witnessed by every lover of fun in this vicinity. Don't fail to take the children to the Saturday matinee.

ADDITIONAL RIVER DISPATCHES.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, October 16.—There is no change in the river, and the packets are very irregular. Hazy and pleasant.

Cairo.

CAIRO, ILL., October 16.—Arrived—City of Chester, Belle of Pike, Henry Ames, Ed. Richardson, St. Louis; Capital City, Memphis. Departed—Stella Black, Cincinnati; Hawkeye, Ohio river; City of Memphis, Weather cloudy. The river fell three inches. The steamer Henry Ames and Belle of Pike collided at the mouth of the Ohio river this afternoon, demolishing the Pike's cook house and wheel house, and causing her wheel to drop out as she backed. The collision after-guard of the Ames were broken. The Pike will have to be repaired here.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, October 16.—Arrived—Northwestern and Rob Roy, Keokuk; Colorado, Galesburg; St. Luke, Memphis; Huntsville, Pekin; Siowan, Cairo. Departed—Josephine, Shreveport; Grand Tower, Memphis; Belle Delaware and Belle of Shreveport, New Orleans; Cowan, Cairo; Bob Ray, Keokuk; Lady Pike, Galesburg; Lady Pike, Louisville. River stationary. There was a slight rain at noon and prospects for more to-night.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, October 16.—Cloudy and warm. River declining. Arrived—Rainbow, Vicksburg; Belle Lee, New Orleans. Departed—City of Alton, New Orleans; Susie Silver, St. Louis.

Vicksburg.

VICKSBURG, October 16.—Down—May Lowry. Weather pleasant. River falling.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, October 16.—No arrivals or departures. Clear and pleasant.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

CHICAGO, October 16.—Cattle—receipts 3,750. The market is extremely quiet, no shippers being on the market, and prices are nominally 25c@50c lower, or $3,50@6 00 for good to choice. A few stockers sold at $4 00@4 50, and a lot of 1,270 fed and grassers at $5 00@5 50 on Monday 26th. Hogs—receipts 19,942. Market dull and lower, with sales during the forenoon at $3 60@3 65 for fair to prime, closing 10c below these prices, with no sales worth $3 65 reported, and stock left over. Sheep—receipts 1,621. Market quiet and unchanged.

COTTON MARKETS.

Galveston.

GALVESTON, October 16.—Cotton easier; good ordinary 18½c.

Charleston.

CHARLESTON, October 16.—Cotton easier; middling 19½@ 19¾c.

Mobile.

MOBILE, October 16.—Cotton quiet; good ordinary 17½c; low middling 18½c; middling 18¾c.

Savannah.

SAVANNAH, October 16.—Cotton active at 18½c; middling 19½c.

FIRE COMMISSION.

Regular Meeting Yesterday.

The members of the Fire Commission held an adjourned meeting in their chambers, new City Hall, yesterday afternoon.

The following members were present: Messrs. Moorhead, Pitcairn, Stewart, Walton and Wilson.

In the absence of the regular President, Col. John H. Stewart was called to the chair.

Secretary Little read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved.

Chief Engineer White reported that there had been fifteen fires and alarms during the month of September.

The Chief also made a number of recommendations for the better government and improvement of the department, which were approved.

Samuel Evans had been appointed Foreman of Engine Company No. 3, to fill a vacancy *pro tem*. The appointment was confirmed and subsequently Mr. Evans was elected permanent foreman.

It was reported by Mr. McElroy that Hook and Ladder Truck No. 1 was about played out, and the Chief Engineer recommended the purchase of a new truck.

The recommendation was approved, and the matter of contracting for a new truck was referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Wilson, McElroy and Moorhead.

The Building Committee was authorized to close up the real estate business of the Commission, in regard to the sale of the Vigilant engine-house property, to the best advantage.

Mr. McElroy introduced Mr. Steen, the architect of the Highland avenue engine-house, to the Commission.

Mr. Steen stated that it was necessary to sink the foundation of the house at least two feet deeper than had been originally intended, in order to get a solid foundation. The well, which it was supposed would drain the cellar, he was confident would not accomplish the purpose, as the water bubbled up at a distance of six feet below the surface.

The matter was referred to the Building Committee, with power to act.

Mr. Mackey referred briefly to the fact that better order should be maintained among the firemen than had on sundry occasions of late been reported to him. He was of opinion that there had been considerable insubordination in certain quarters, and hoped that the Chief Engineer would put his heel down on it, and stop it.

The Chief replied that he would in future, as he had in the past, endeavor to preserve strict order and a faithful administration of the rules of the department.

Mr. Mackey and, indeed, the entire Commission, appeared determined upon this point.

Some bills were ordered to be paid and routine business transacted, after which the meeting adjourned.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Supreme Court—Full Bench.

Commonwealth, at suggestion of L. Ellsworth vs. James Shehan and Henry S. Wilson, Defendants petitioned for remission of fine, and now, October 16, 1872, the hearing of the within application continued, and the Court appointed Alexander De Witt, Esq., Harrisburg, Commissioner to hear and take testimony on both sides of the question, as to whether the Commissioners of Millin county have been and are proceeding in good faith with the construction of the bridge, at Newton Hamilton, across the Juniata river accordingly, as they have been commissioned by this Court, and report the same to this Court on the first Tuesday of January, at Philadelphia, together with a report on the testimony—testimony to be taken at the expense of the defendants.

Kilpatrick & Lyon vs. Bonsall: C.P. Argued by Schoyer for plaintiffs in error, and Sellers and Keenan, contra.

Logan Bros. & Co. vs. Bonsall: C.P. Argued by Hopkins and Lazear and Barton for plaintiff in error, and Sellers and Keenan, contra.

Thomson vs. Shepler's administrators: C.P. Argued by Shiras for plaintiff.

T. W. Day, of Pittsburgh, was, on motion of Thomas and Lazear, duly admitted and qualified to practice in this Court.

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Seesing Catharine Keesing, aged about seventy-five years, of a house at No. 165 Sixteenth street, Birmingham. Jury out.

Margaret Beatty pleaded guilty to two charges of illegal liquor selling. In one case she was sentenced to pay a fine of $50, and in the latter to imprisonment thirty days. Sentence was suspended in the other cases.

Louis Muller was arraigned on a charge of selling liquor in Mifflin township, contrary to special prohibitory law. He had been convicted, but his license seems to have been granted through mistake. The counsel for the defendant raised the point that the indictment was drawn under the general law, whereas it should have recited the special act. The case was not concluded at adjournment.

TRIAL LIST FOR NO-DAY.

Commonwealth vs.

Geo. W. Grubbs,	A. Openhimer,
Thos. Dunn,	McMorrow,
Adam Wendel,	Christ. Peters,
August Urbath,	Ella Allison,
Thos. Armstrong,	Edward Crumley,
Maria J. Stein,	Adam Klingman.
Volney Lucas,	

Common Pleas—Judge Sterrett.

J. M. Shortall vs. William Downy. This was an action to recover balance alleged to be due on partnership settlement. Verdict for defendant.

James E. Huey vs. John Cane. Verdict for defendant.

Young & Son vs. Schmidt & Neidhart. Verdict for plaintiffs for $49 28.

TRIAL LIST FOR TO-DAY.

167. Meldrum vs. Anderson.
92. Lytle vs. Simpson et al.
194. Hoover vs. School & Bro.
196. O'Neill vs. Hamilton et al.
199. Heil vs. Titus.
200. Tuttle vs. Cullen.
209. Wilson vs. Rogers et al.
96. Muhlstein vs. White.
163. Weller vs. De Roy Bros.
125. Barrett et al vs. Snyder et al.
168. Kimin vs. Adams.

CITY MATTERS IN BRIEF.

HON. E. W. MACKEY arrived home yesterday.

THE demonstration on the South Side to-night promises to be a grand affair.

FRANK H. MAYNARD, charged with forgery, is now in jail for a hearing.

THERE will be a grand Republican torchlight procession in Sharpsburg on next Tuesday night.

MR. SNYDER, a painter residing on Pine street, Allegheny, was seriously injured by falling from a ladder, while painting a house on Middle alley, Allegheny.

JOHN WILSON charges a man named Chadwick with the larceny of two dollars from him while in a Wood street saloon. Defendant was arrested and bailed for a hearing before Alderman McMasters.

YOUNG MEN who were caught in this cold snap, with their overcoats in the pawn shops, are spending several hours in evening devotions, earnestly praying for the advent of Indian summer.

THE cars on the Birmingham Passenger Railway will be running to the Union Depot by this evening, the work on the Seventh avenue sewer having been completed between Grant and Smithfield streets.

YESTERDAY morning, at the railroad crossing on Federal street, Allegheny, a carriage was struck by a passing train, the occupant, a lady, and the driver, fortunately alighted in time to escape injury. The vehicle was badly damaged.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Hartranft club will be held on Friday night, at City Hall, when business of the utmost importance will be transacted. A large attendance of those having the interest of the club at heart is earnestly requested.

THE great sale of lots, in the Grazier plan, at Wall's station, comes off to-day. There will be a free train out on the Pennsylvania Railroad, leaving at 8:30 this morning, and returning after the sale. A free lunch will be served on the ground.

A MAN named Michael McGovern was very badly injured at the steel works Allegheny, in Woods, corner of Try and Second streets, by the explosion of one of the ladles which are used for the purpose of melting steel.

YESTERDAY officer Patrick Kennedy made information before acting Mayor McMasters, charging James Donovan with disorderly conduct. It is alleged that the accused resisted the deponent in making an arrest, and struck and kicked him. A warrant was issued.

AMONG the returns made at the Health office yesterday morning, of births in the city, one child is reported whose parents gave it the name of "Greeley." One was reported with the name of "Grant," and still another had, for "front" name, "Nellie Grant."

THE other day August Schultz made information before Mayor Blackmore charging John McClain with larceny as bailee. It is alleged that the defendant was intrusted with a silver watch and chain worth $25, and a plain gold ring worth $12, and that now he refuses to restore the articles to the owner. Last evening the defendant was arrested and held for a hearing to-day.

YESTERDAY morning, Justice Hoerr, of Birmingham, entertained a pleasant and constantly increasing cost of raw material in Great Britain, their loss of labor by emigration, the social disturbances among the working classes, assuming a more threatening attitude on each new outbreak, the rapidly decreasing value of money, in consequence of the enormous production of gold and silver, combine to forbid any return to former prices, and indicate that a period of unprecedented beyond all manufacturing increase is improbable.

The same causes are operating to a greater or lesser extent upon this continent.

In the meanwhile the growing wants of humanity are rapidly outstripping the facilities of supply. In addition to the steadily increasing foreign home demand, we find, the world over, the most active activity exhibited and employed in enterprises requiring prodigious quantities of iron. Railways of colossal magnitude are building or projected in Russia, Australia, the East Indies, North and South America, and now the hoary and laggard East unbars its veneration to the light and life of modern arms, the genius and nobler civilization of the West to renew its life by giving to it what the other, out of its own fertile brain, has created.

In the United States, irrespective of the 60,000 miles of railroad to be finished, and the 5,000 miles annually building, the uses of iron are almost infinite. Day by day the application of iron and steel in new directions, and in novel forms, is increasing.

It is authoritatively stated that at the present rate of annual consumption, in eight years the forests of Maine will have disappeared. In the North west the ravages of fire and the ax of the woodman are rapidly diminishing that source of supply. This growing scarcity of timber is *compelling* the use of iron in the construction—bridges of wonderful size and strength; huge ocean steamships—barges and boats for lake and river—churches, cars, and now by thousands of minor articles of every shape and size. Thus looking over the whole field of operations, the present is most favorable—the future most promising. Thus far what has been said applies equally to all branches of the iron and steel industries. What follows is applicable more particularly to the manufacture of pig iron.

The great changes here spoken in regard to the gradual wearing out of the old and taking up of new step, scientifically, in mining. Latterly the people were loosing their devotion to science, and were going forward with the old spirit of taking up by guess-work—more suspicious than malicious prejudice against the application of science to mining. When events all over the world tell us that all other nations have reached their summit and are now on the descent, we should not have carefully guard the great natural charges in our favor. The fact that the great lines of Transatlantic Ocean steamship lines have reached that point that they know not whether to supply their vessels with anthracite or Pictou coal, affords but a single instance at the prospect ahead, of our supplying coal to foreign nations. Processes cannot be secured by looking at to-day—scientific men do not know enough.

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Inauguration of the Second Council of 1872—The Organization—The First Paper, "The Iron and Coal Trade," Read—Discussion, &c., &c., &c.

Last evening second of the tri-annual sessions of the American Institute of Mining Engineers was inaugurated in the hall of the Western University, Ross and Diamond streets.

R. W. Raymond, editor of the New York *Engineering and Mining Journal*, occupied the chair, and Martin Coryell, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., officiated as Secretary.

The proceedings were opened by Mr. Raymond, who, in a few appropriate remarks, introduced Mr. John Parke, Jr., who had been selected by the Institute to welcome the strangers from abroad to our city. Mr. Parke, on taking the floor, spoke as follows:

ADDRESS OF JAMES R. PARKE, JR.

On behalf of Pittsburgh and its manifold industries which center in it, my pleasant duty this evening is to extend to each and all of you, gentlemen of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, a cordial welcome. The welcome I tender you on behalf of the city of the Three Rivers is sincere and sincere. There is, perhaps, no other city on this continent, whose prosperity and growth is more intimately allied with the development of the mining interests than Pittsburgh. Its annual products, now counted by millions, are in great part, due to the wealth taken from the bowels of the earth, and the employment which it sustains reaches to its hundreds of thousands. Those engaged in the midst of clouds of smoke and flashes of flame, which come rushing forth from many furnaces, and do attend by the beating of hammers and noise of engines and machinery, and clashing of great plates & sheets and forms of glowing iron, steel and copper, as they fall on the floors of our mills and forges. Begrimed, as you will find them with smoke, and wet with the sweat of honest toil, with emotions as true as they are tender, they will, as they open the white hot furnace doors, give you a warm, hearty, and generous welcome to their places of industry. On behalf of our toiling thousands, I invite you to visit them, believing you will meet with much that will impress your minds with the busy scenes which the interiors of our many manufactories and establishments will print upon your memories. It is through your skill and energy that mines are opened and successfully worked to supply fuel to feed the flames which generate heat, which keeps all our machinery in active motion. When you have looked through the interior of our workshops, I invite you to take an outside view, overall. You can be taken to peculiar eminences, from which you can, at night, witness panoramas not surpassed by any to be found elsewhere. Looking from those points, the rivers, you can, at a glance, see the volumes of smoke and lurid glare of flame, which speak to the many furnaces, whilst the rattle of machinery and the tinkling sounds of the hammers from the distant mills and forges, come softened by time from all directions, one sound chiming harmoniously with the others. These are the daily and nightly attractions of Pittsburgh, and to many the scenes of the mining engineer, whose skill and ingenuity discovers the fuel and directs the way to the mines from which the fuel is taken to give motion to this gigantic muscle box. Wearied by the fatigue of travel, and of your pursuits, I hope these scenes accompanied by Pittsburgh music, will excite emotions, which will bring vividly to your minds, in after years, these Pittsburgh sounds. The earth is the great Alma Mater from which the mining engineers are to be extracted the elements and instruments of their education. Pittsburgh is the mother and mistress of the sea, and the workshop of the world, by her subterranean cobwebbed labyrinths. If civil engineers are the pioneers of our railroads and mountains, bridging streams and spanning continents with iron bands—which go far to annihilate time and space—it is equally a truthful remark that engineering has furnished her the oil to supply the lamp which has enabled her to shed a bright and sun light of our modern civilization. The science of mining has brought us the gold and silver which has enabled us to establish the mint, and has supplied the materials of our railroads and navies, and has rendered possible to our day the use of the gateway to untold treasures beneath the surface of the earth, and in proportion as it is developed will civilization advance; it is into mines and

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PIG IRON.

Meeting of the Pig Iron Manufacturers' Association—Election of Officers, &c.

Yesterday the American Pig Iron Manufacturers' Association held a session in the Monongahela House. There was a large attendance and considerable interest manifested in the proceedings.

After the calling of the roll the Secretary, Mr. Thomas Dunlap, read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved.

An election of officers for the ensuing year was then held, with the following result:

President—A. B. Stone, Cleveland, Ohio.

Vice Presidents—Einstein—Edward L. Cooper, New York; Wm. Firmstone, Pennsylvania; Henry McCormick, Pennsylvania. Western—General James Pierce, Pennsylvania; A. B. Cornell, Ohio; A. B. Meeker, Illinois.

Treasurer—Jos. C. Kent, New Jersey.

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A highly interesting report was read by the Secretary, tracing the increase of the production of pig metal in Great Britain from the year 1740, when the production was but 17,000 tons, to 1871, when it reached 6,000,000 tons, and also in the United States, where in sixty-one years we have increased the product from 53,000 in 1810 to nearly 2,000,000 tons in 1871. Returns were given of the product of iron ore, oil, as taken from the figures of the census of 1870, and of the production of Pennsylvania by counties for 1871, which was listened to with great interest. The report reviewed the condition of the trade, and the technology of iron manufacture, and was adopted and ordered to be printed for distribution to members.

Some routine business was transacted, and the members engaged in a discussion of the condition of the trade, and interchanged views as to the probable future of prices, &c., after which the meeting adjourned for dinner.

Prof. R. W. Raymond, President American Institute Mining Engineers, Prof. E. T. Coxes, State Geologist of Indiana, and J. Blodget Button, Metallurgist, of Pittsburgh, were elected honorary members.

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